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SUBJECT: CHILE: MILGP REQUEST FOR HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR STRATEGY AND DEFENSE POLICY COURSE

Sensitive but unclassified. Please handle accordingly.

- $\P1$. (U) This is an action request. See paragraphs 2 and 3.
- 12. (SBU) Action request: Embassy requests the Department assist in conducting a Leahy Amendment Human Rights review, as well as a general name check, of the following Chilean Air Force officer who has been nominated to participate in U.S. funded training, pursuant to the Leahy Act and Foreign Assistance Act. Please transmit the results of such, including information not strictly covered by the Leahy Amendment, to Embassy if possible by no later than February 10, 2009.
- 13. (SBU) The proposed training is the Strategy and Defense Policy Course, to be held at the Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies in Washington DC, between February 23, 2009 and March 11, 2009. The name and identifying information of the proposed candidate appear in the following format: Name, rank, unit, date of birth, place of birth and national identification number.

Humberto N. CAPINO Diaz, Lieutenant Colonel, Chilean Air Force, 03/25/1964, Iquique, 9.341.038-6

14. (U) Post greatly appreciates the Department's assistance with this request. Embassy's ongoing investigation has not found credible information that the candidate has been involved in gross human rights violations.

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